

Excellency is anxious to effect, & which it is very evident must greatly contribute to the benefit of both Provinces.

It is the prevailing Opinion that the City & Province of New York will be evacuated by the Kings Troops immediately, & that the British will embark for Europe most of the Foreign Troops have already sailed.

I have the Honor to be
Your Excellency,
most Obedt. Servt.

H. E. Fox. B. G.

N^o 105

Annapolis Bay 26th Sept. 1783.

Sir

I have the Honor to acquaint you that I have left directions with Mr. Williams to repair such of the Buildings in the Fort as I think will best answer for covering the Troops or Refugees which may be sent here; and I am further in hopes Mr. Williams will be able to obtain the consent of the principal People of the Parish to lend the Church for the same purpose, upon the condition that Government shall lay a Floor in it, which I am of Opinion should be done at the least expensive and most considerable covering that can be obtained. The only difficulty attending this Business is the want of Plank and as I understand the Brandywine is to go from hence to Pensacola. I beg leave to suggest to you, that she may be ordered to bring a Load of Plank from thence, where there is a great deal belonging to Government. Under the Idea that this proposal may meet with your approbation I have left a Letter with Mr. Williams for Lt. Jones the Asst. Eng. at Pensacola directing him to send Plank and such other Lumber as the Brig may be able to bring to this Place. I have the Honor to be with very great Respect,

Yr. most Obedt. Servt.

W. Mose Ch. Eng.

Then to B. G. Fox

Township of Prince William
28th Sept. 1783.

Sir,

In consequence of His Majestys Instructions to His Excellency the Commander in Chief and the General Orders herewith transmitted, You are hereby directed to disband the Kings American Dragoons on the tenth Day of October Instant. And you are to take particular Care that all the non-commissioned Officers and private Men are cleared with to that Time, and fourteen Days pay from that Time will be allowed them, which you are also to deliver to each of them (without Deduction) agreeable to the Instructions above referred to.

I am Sir

Your most Obedt. Servt.

Major Murray,
Commanding

Kings American Dragoons.

H. E. Fox B. G.

N^o 106

Fort Howe 28th Sept. 1783.

Sir

It is with great Mortification that I find myself obliged to report to you that on the Evening of the 25th September a Party of Soldiers under the Command of Capt. Bushirk & Lambert Esq. Duct & Ensign Harcourt of Colo. Bushirks Regt. landed on the Eastern side of the Harbour and with fixed Bayonets wounded and seized on the Persons of two Sergeants and five private Men of this Garrison, likewise a Man an Inhabitant by the Name of Doit and carried them on Board the Transport Capt. Bushirk arrived in, that while the said Men were Prisoners they were wounded and beat in the most

inhuman

Brig Gen. Fox